

Application No. 10/811,197

Remarks

The final Office Action mailed August 22, 2005 allowed claims 8-16, 18-22, and 26, but provisionally rejected claims 1-4 and 23-25 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting in view of application serial number 10/816,237.

In order to eliminate issues for appeal by obviating the provisional double patenting rejection, applicants have submitted a Terminal Disclaimer. The filing of this Terminal Disclaimer is not an admission of the propriety of the rejection, and simply serves the statutory function of removing the rejection of double patenting, and thus raises neither a presumption nor estoppel on the merits of the rejection. M.P.E.P. §804.02.

Applicants have corrected a mistyped word at line 10 of claim 26. Comparison of line 10 with lines 8 and 22 show that the change does not affect the meaning of the claim.

Applicants therefore believe that the entry of the amendment is appropriate, and that the present application, with pending claims 1-4, 8-16, and 18-26, is in condition for allowance. Applicants therefore respectfully request withdrawal of the final Office Action, and issuance of a Notice of Allowance.

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If the Examiner considers personal contact helpful to dispose of this case, call David J. Arthur, at Telephone Number (585) 423-9215, Rochester, New York.

Respectfully submitted,

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